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“And there was nothing lacking to them...DAVID recovered all.”

(READ 1 SAMUEL 30:19)



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Schedule of Services

Sunday School 10:00 am

Sunday Worship 11:00 am

Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm

Happy Birthday!

Betty Groover—17th, Colin Young—17th, Shirley Shanks—21st

SGC Spring Cleaning

Saturday, April 15th @ 8:00 am

This evening's podcast will be from our PASTOR

1 TIMOTHY 1:15 — THE WORD, WILL, & WISDOM CHRIST

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CHRIST RECOVERED ALL

“...THERE WAS NOTHING LACKING TO THEM, NEITHER SMALL NOR GREAT, NEITHER SONS NOR DAUGHTERS, NEITHER SPOIL, NOR ANY THING THAT THEY HAD TAKEN TO THEM: DAVID RECOVERED ALL.” (1 SAMUEL 30:19)

Beloved, how often we fret, how often we worry, how often the cares of this life take hold of us in the most unpleasant and unexpected ways. Beloved, in light of the brevity of our time-state upon the earth, in light of the vanity of our carnal life, consider the blessed reality of our Spiritual life in Christ; HE RECOVERED ALL! Indeed, because he cried “*It is finished,*” every sinner who puts their trust in Him shall be recovered!

Beloved, if you love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity, it is because our Heavenly Father first loved you in Christ; indeed if God loves you, if God loves me everything is okay. [1 JOHN 4:19]

For if our heavenly Father is satisfied with His Son, and His Son is satisfied to know that all He came to redeem shall be recovered, how much more should we be satisfied by the knowledge of the finished justifying work of our blessed Redeemer.

Our heavenly Father spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? How lovely

the picture of the gospel reality we have in Christ. Indeed, in Christ, we have been freely given *all things*. *Nothing lacking to them* for whom He gave His Son. [ROMANS 8:32; 1 SAMUEL 30:19]

Is everything okay? Yes beloved, everything is okay. For we did not baptize ourselves into CHRIST, rather *by one Spirit are we all baptized into His body, all made to drink into one Spirit* in CHRIST [1 COR. 12:13].

Is everything okay? Yes beloved, everything is okay. For we did not believe to be saved, rather we were saved to believe, *through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised CHRIST from the dead*; indeed because we have been ordained to eternal life, we believe. [ACTS 13:48]

Is everything okay? Yes beloved, everything is okay. For we are not merely reconciled to our Heavenly Father through the sin atoning death of our Lord Jesus Christ; but much more, we are saved by His *substitutionary death*. Beloved, we shall be saved by His *substitutionary life*. [ROMANS 5:8-11]

Indeed everything is okay, for Christ has purchased a full and complete pardon of sin, and has established a perfect and holy righteousness; made yours by the grace of God, through faith, the faith that is not of yourself, rather, the faith of Christ, given to you through the unsearchable riches of His grace in Christ. AMEN! [EPHESIANS 3:8]

PASTOR

THOU HAST LIFTED ME UP

"I WILL EXTOL THEE, O LORD; FOR THOU HAST LIFTED ME UP, AND HAST NOT MADE MY FOES TO REJOICE OVER ME." (PSALM 30:1)

The dedication of David's house leads to the spiritual sense of this blessed scripture. The temple, or house, is a type of the body of Jesus. Our authority for this interpretation we find in the Apostle James [Read ACTS 15:16], who expressly, in so many words, determines the repair of David's tabernacle to be altogether a type of the ever blessed Jesus at his resurrection. So that here we are at no loss to discover Jesus thus extolling God the Father for that illustrious event. And with this clue, we shall find sweet discoveries of Jesus praising and blessing God for his own victory over all the foes of his salvation, and his people's victory in him. Reader, pray for grace to keep this in remembrance, while perusing this Psalm; and then if through faith we are raised from the death of sin, through him, we shall feel our own personal interest in all that is here said concerning him, in whom we triumph.

PASTOR ROBERT HAWKER (1753-1827)

WHY DID CHRIST DIE?

“...THE GREAT GOD AND OUR SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST...GAVE HIMSELF FOR US, THAT HE MIGHT REDEEM US FROM ALL INIQUITY, AND PURIFY UNTO HIMSELF A PECULIAR PEOPLE, ZEALOUS OF GOOD WORKS.” (TITUS 2:13-14)

According to *some* people, Christ died to give all a *chance* of being saved! I do not know that I hate anything more in my soul than to hear that. It makes Jesus Christ so little—that He should do so much, and after all only to get us a *chance* of being saved. Why, if a man is set up in business, you see how often it happens that he fails in it; and if man cannot manage the paltry things of time and sense without being insolvent, what will he do with eternal realities? And if you come a little closer, when God “*made man upright*” [ECCLESIASTES 7:29] and he had no sinful nature, what did he do with his innocence? He lost it all! And yet poor presumptuous man has the vanity to think you and I could manage the *chance* of being saved. What an insult it is to the Lord Jesus Christ to fix the eternal honor of God upon chance, and that chance to be managed by a poor sinful creature who is tumbling into half a dozen holes every hour of his life! No, no. Thanks be to God for immortal *realities* and *certainties*. What is said concerning what Christ had done? He has “*put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself;*” [HEBREWS 9:26] He has “*finished transgression and made an end of sin;*” [DANIEL 9:24] He has “*redeemed us from all iniquity;*” He has “*redeemed us from the curse of the law,*” [GALATIANS 3:13] from destruction and from the power of the devil; He has “*obtained eternal redemption for us;*” [HEBREWS 9:12] He has “*redeemed us to God.*” [REVELATION 5:9] To the honor of the Eternal Trinity it is said, not that the redeemed shall have a *chance*, but that the redeemed shall “*come to Zion with songs, and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away*” [ISAIAH 35:10]. The Lord Jesus Christ has done this “great” work [HEBREWS 2:3]; and He has gone to heaven shouting “*Victory,*” for “*God is gone up with a shout; the Lord with the sound of a trumpet*” [PSALM 47:5]. He rose from the grave as a demonstrative proof that sin was destroyed, law satisfied, God honored, His people eternally and everlastingly saved. And the immortal honors of God unite in their salvation; therefore, He ever lives at the right hand of the Father to make intercession. [AMEN!]